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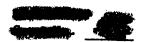
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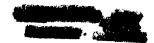
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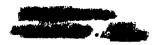
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Chapter X .

Radiation Reconnaissance and Dosimetric Apparatus

35. Tasks and Means of Radiation Reconnaissance

Radiation reconnaissance is charged with:

- -- prompt detection of radioactive contamination of terrain and warning troops of the presence of contamination;
- -- determination of radiation levels in contaminated sectors, principally in areas occupied by troops;
- -- establishment and marking of the boundaries of contaminated areas and the most heavily contaminated sectors within them, and also the location of detours or routes for crossing contaminated sectors;
- -- determination of the nature of radioactive contamination (ratio of beta and gamma radiation and the state of the radioactive materials dust, slag, droplets);
- -- monitoring of changes in the radiation levels in the contaminated area.

Radiation reconnaissance is conducted:

- -- by observation subunits, observation posts and reconnaissance subunits of all arms of troops and special troops, equipped with dosimetric instruments and trained in their use;
 - -- by chemical observation posts;
 - -- by chemical reconnaissance patrols;
- -- and by chemical scouts and specially trained enlisted men and NCOs in the subunits assigned to reconnaissance, security and traffic control detachments.

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Chemical reconnaissance patrols operate on foot, in trucks, armored personnel carriers, tanks and aircraft. Chemical reconnaissance foot patrols are used generally for the conduct of radiation reconnaissance in trenches, connecting trenches, slit trenches, and other installations and also for scouting sectors contaminated with low levels of radiation on terrain inaccessible to armored personnel carriers and tanks. In all other cases patrols operate, as a rule, in armored personnel carriers and trucks. Patrols in tanks may be sent to reconnoiter areas with high radiation levels, and areas under enemy fire.

Patrols in aircraft (or helicopters) are sent to clarify the radiation situation in the area (zone) of troop operations and to reconnoiter routes of march.

A zone 600 to 1000 meters wide is ordinarily assigned to a patrol for the reconnaissance of areas or sectors of radioactive contamination.

The personnel, equipment and the tasks allotted to observers, posts, and patrols are presented in Table 140.

Table 140

Tasks of Radiation Reconnaissance Fulfilled by Observation

Subunits, Observation Posts, Chemical Observer Posts and Reconnaissance Patrols *

Name	Tasks	Personnel	Equipment
Observation posts and observers from subunits	Prompt detection of radioactive contamination		Radiation indicator or roentgenometer
Chemical Observation posts.	1. Prompt detection of radio- active contamin- ation in a given area	Up to squads of chemical recon- naissance	Radioactive in- dicator, roentgeno- meter, and warning signs
	2. Measurement of radiation levels and, if necessary, marking off of the contaminated sector		
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Chemical reconnaissance patrols

- 1. Reconnaissance of terrain in areas of troop operations or disposition in order to detect radioactive contamination
- 2. Reconnaissance in contaminated sectors or areas of atomic bursts (measurement of radiation levels, determination of the nature of contamination, boundary delineation, locating detours or crossing routes)
- 3. Checking for changes in radiation levels in earlier reconnoitered contaminated areas
- 1. Detection of contaminated sectors and determination of radiation levels in them

Up to squads of chemical reconnaissance

Radioactive indicator, roentgenometer, radiometer ** and warning signs

Indicators of radioactivity, roentgenometers, and warning signs

Chemical scouts in subunits assigned to reconnaissance, security or traffic control detachments

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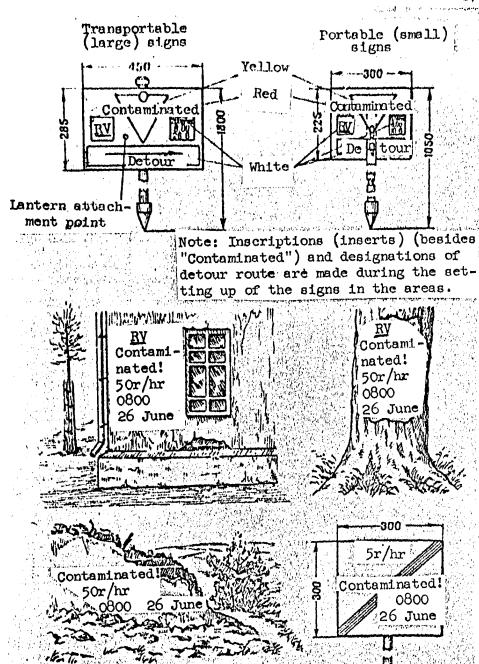


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	3. Locating de- tours around contaminated sec- tors or regions with high radi- ation levels	
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Translator's Note: The letters "RY" stand for "radioactive material."

Figure 153. Authorized Warning Signs (two upper figures) and Means of Marking Contaminated Sectors in the Absence of Authorized Signs.

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The specific duties of chemical reconnaissance patrols during radiation reconnaissance of roads, (routes of march and axes of troop operations), the areas of atomic bursts, the wake of a radioactive cloud, etc, are shown in Table 141.

Table 141

Specific Duties of Chemical Reconnaissance Patrols When Conducting Radiation Reconnaissance

Missions	Patrol Duties	
Reconnoiter roads, (routes of march, axes of opera-tions)	Reconnaissance will be conducted without dismounting from the armored sonnel carrier (vehicle). The patrologing in the prescribed direction, and marks off the forward and rear boof the contaminated area, as well as with maximum radiation levels. After detection of contamination patrol, when necessary, locates a detor where a detour is impossible, a croute with the lowest radiation level all cases the routes for crossing consectors must not have radiation level than 200r/hr.	per- ol, locates oundaries sectors n, the our, rossing l. In ntaminated
Reconnoiter the area of an atomic burst	The area of an atomic burst is reconnoitered by several chemical renaissance patrols, which may operate on separate axes or within zones with prescribed radiation levels. Patroly their own axes, determine and mark the boundaries of contaminated areas accepted to the prescribed radiation levels (0.5, 50 and 200r/hr), after which the return to the assembly point (Figure	either n s, along ne ording usually ey
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Reconnaissance of the wake of a radioactive cloud, or of sectors contaminated with radioactive material. When reconnoitering the area of an atomic burst along the boundaries of the zones of radiation levels, the patrols determine and mark the outer boundaries of the contaminated and heavily contaminated zones (Figure 155).

To determine the nature of changes in radiation levels, one of the patrols crosses the burst area. A tank patrol is ordinarily used for this purpose. When crossing a burst area in an armored personnel carrier, sectors with radiation levels higher than 200r/hr are by-passed.

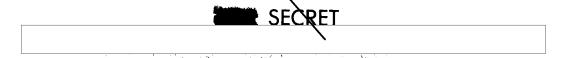
The patrol is assigned a route or zone 600 to 1000 meters wide. Reaching a boundary with a radiation level of 0.5r/hr the patrol moves along this line for the whole width of the reconnaissance zone and marks it, then it moves along a designated route of march through the contaminated sector, determining the radiation level and marking the rear areas of the contaminated area. The radiation levels of heavily contaminated areas, as a rule, are marked only along the patrol's line of march through the contaminated sector (Figure 156,a). some cases the patrol may be given the task of marking completely the boundaries of heavily contaminated sectors in its zone of operations (Figure 156, \underline{b}). The configuration and dimensions of the track of a radioactive cloud, as well as the sectors heavily contaminated by it, may be determined as a result of the operations of a series of chemical reconnaissance patrols.

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Table 141 (continued)

Reconnaissance of an area designated for troop disposition or operations

The patrol traverses the area along a designated route. On discovering contamination, the patrol, depending on the mission, conducts reconnaissance only on its route of movement or wholly within the boundaries of the area. In the latter case, the patrol operates the same as in reconnaissance of the wake of a radioactive cloud.

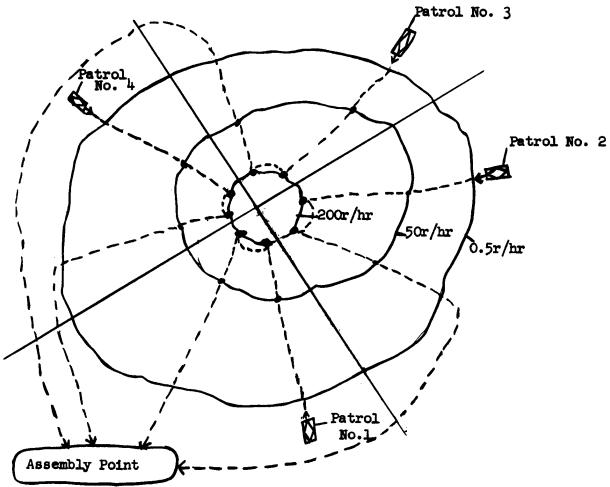


Figure 154. Operations of Chemical Reconnaissance Patrols During Reconnaissance of the Area of an Atomic Burst Along Axes

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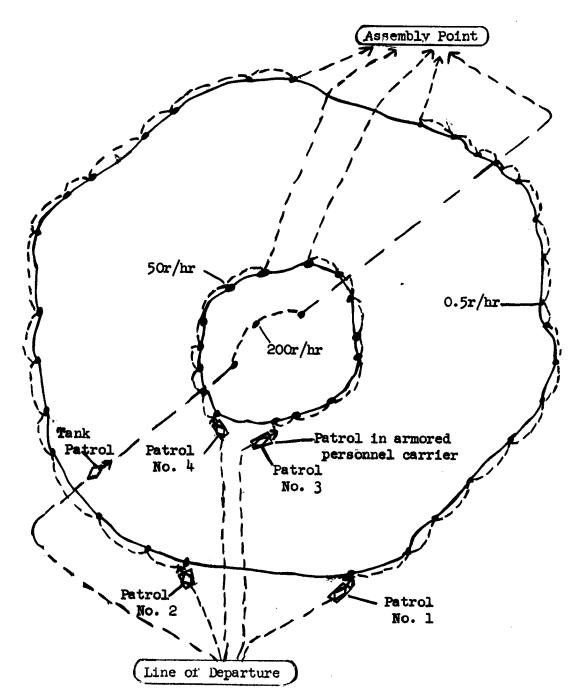


Figure 155. Operation of Chemical Reconnaissance Patrols During Reconnaissance of the Area of an Atomic Burst by Specific Levels of Radiation Corresponding to 0.5 and 50r/hr.

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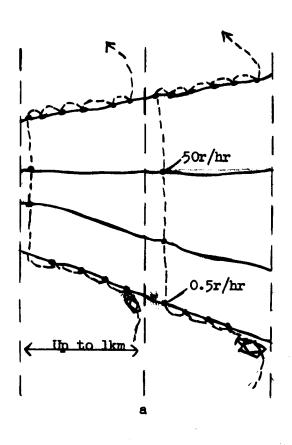
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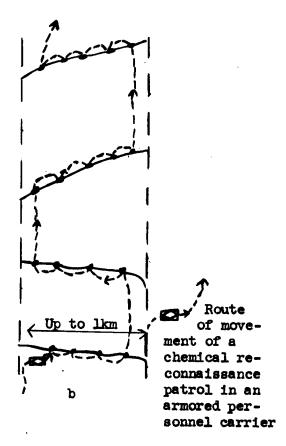
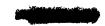


Figure 156. Operations of Chemical Reconnaissance Patrols During Reconnaissance of the Wake of a Radioactive Cloud (Sector: Contaminated with Radioactive Materials)

Operating and Reporting Documentation for Chemical Observation Posts and Chemical Reconnaissance Patrols, Personnel Irradiation Record

At chemical observation posts, the chiefs of the posts maintain the observation journals in which are recorded the results of observation or reconnaissance of contaminated sectors.



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Journal of Chemical Observation Post No. 175

Observation Point	Time of Obser- vation	Place of Obser- vation	Event Observed	To Whom and When reported				
	~	15 June 19						
Spot elevation 159.2	0700	Reference point No. 2, closer than 100m.	Air bursts of rockets (reaktivnaya mina)	Chief of the chemical ser- vice of the regiment at 0705				
As above	0705	Western slope of elevation 159.2	Air bursts of aviation bombs. West and north-west slopes of hill contaminated with radio active material; radiation level 10 to 15r/hr	As above at 0715				

Chemical scouts of chemical reconnaissance patrols or those detailed to reconnaissance, security, and traffic control detachments record data on radiation level changes on cards.

(Form)

Chemical Scout Card

Sergeant Petrov

(rank, surname)

Date of reconnaissance 3 May 19 (day, month, year)

Type of instrument DP-1-A (Ye-513245)

(name and factory number)

No.	Place or Object of	Time of n					
	Reconnaissance	Hr.	Min.	band		r/hr	strument readings (with open and closed lid)
		S	ample Entry	7			
1	Road fork 500m north of Lebyazhye farm	10	30	2	0.05	0.5	None

On conclusion of reconnaissance the chief of the chemical reconnaissance patrol compiles a sketch-report (Figure 157) for the commanding officer who dispatched the patrol.

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Figure 157. Sketch-Report of a Control Report of a Control Report of a GROUP 1

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Values of Radiation Attenuat	Table 142 tion Coefficients Calculated the Body of Vehicles
Type of Equipment	Attenuation coefficient of gamma radiation
Armored personnel carrier	2
Automobile	



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For the rough determination of radiation levels on terrain, it is necessary to multiply the instrument readings in the aircraft by a coefficient given in Table 143.

Table 143

Values of Gamma Radiation Attenuation

Coefficients for Aircraft

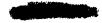
Measurement of	Attenuation Coefficient Values					
altitude in meters	In the area of an atomic burst	Along the Wake of	the Cloud			
	within the first 2 or 3 days after the burst	On the day of burst	One or more day			
50 100 150 200	10 20 70 100	2•5 4 5 7	2 5 10 15			

Note: For making accurate determinations of radiation levels in sectors especially important for troops, the aircraft (helicopter) may land in the contaminated area.

The presence of radioactive materials on terrain is determined by a roentgenometer from two measurements at a height of 10 to 15cm from ground level, one with the lid on the bottom of the instrument case closed, and the other with the lid open. In the presence of radioactive materials in an area, the instrument readings with the lid open will be larger than with the lid closed. On the basis of the difference in instrument readings with closed and open lid it is possible to estimate the gamma and beta radiation ratio.

Reconnaissance of terrain after the discovery of radioactive contamination, is conducted as a rule with a continuously operating roentgenometer.

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The sampling order for water, rations, forage and taking swabbings from the internal surfaces of defense installations is presented in Table 144.

Sampling Method for Water, Rations, Forage and Taking Swabbings
from the Internal Surfaces of Defense Installations

Sample	Sampling Method	Volume (Weight) of Sample	Technical Means by Which Samples are Collected
Water	Sample is taken from surface of water source and from the bottom (before taking the sample from the bottom the water is stirred).	Not less than 0.5 liters.	From the surface- with a bucket, cup, or other clean container From the bottom- a weighted bottle or water samplers (see Figure 158
Rations. Crain products (groats, flour, grain and the like)	Tear open a bag and take a layer of the product immediately under the covering, not more than lcm thick. When grain products are stored in a pile, take a sample from 3 or 4 places on the surface of the most contaminated layer of the product so that the thickness of the collected layer does not exceed lcm.	Not less than a match box	Scoop, entrenching tool, spoon, probe

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ducts (vege- table oil, vodka, and others) Take several fruit Take several pieces of fruit next to the con- taminated surface of the container or peel the top, contaminated lay- er of the fruit to a thickness of 0.5 liters si s	
tables and pieces of fruit next to the contaminated surface of the container or peel the top, contaminated layer of the fruit to a thickness of 0.5cm Hard tack, Take the surface concentrates layer of the probaked goods, duct directly dried vegedadjacent to the tables, contaminated wall fruits, etc, of the box in heavy boxes Hay Select bales located in the most gontaminated way Select bales located in the most gontaminated of the contaminated contaminated of the contaminated contaminated of the contaminated contamina	r, messure phon, etc.
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stack. Samples are taken from the bales broken open from the sur- face layer. With hay stored in stacks and piles, samples are taken from various places on the top, (most contamin- ated layer of hay.	

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Table 144 (continued)

Rations and With a dosimetric forage stored in stacks and bales

instrument or, on the basis of external evidence (largest quantity of particles of radioactive material) determine the most contaminated part of the stack (bale). From various places in this area take 1 or 2% of the upper boxes (sacks, bales).

Second and third samples are taken respectively from the middle and lower layers of the stacks (bales)

Boxes (sacks, bales) are broken open and samples are taken from them by one of the means described above.

Internal surfaces of installations

Radioactive materials are collected with a swab from contaminated surfaces defined by a template. The sequence of taking a sample is shown in Figure 159. After taking the sample the swab is placed in a bottle or envelope made of heavy paper.

A swabbing is taken from a 150cm² surface

The template is made of cardboard or heavy paper with a rectangular outline 10 x 15cm. The swab is made of bandages. absorbent cotton or rags.

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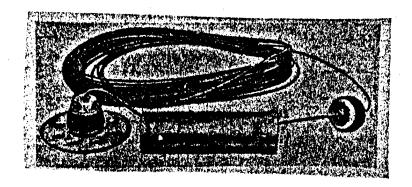


Figure 158. Water Sampler

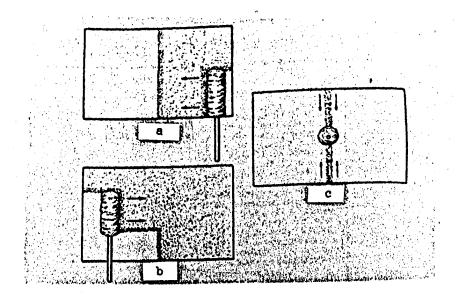


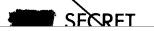
Figure 159. Taking swabbings. Radioactive dust is collected with a swab first from one half of the area a and then from the other b. The material, remaining in a narrow strip, is collected with the swab, sweeping it from the upper and lower edges of the area to the center. The material, now collected in the center of the area, is taken up with the tip of the swab c.

The measurement of contamination of sample is conducted, as a rule, in uncontaminated areas. In a contaminated area, measurement is possible only in uncontaminated installations (whelters).

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The means of determining the degree of contamination of samples and swabbings with dosimetric instruments in field conditions are given in Table 145.

Table 145

Determination of the Degree of Contamination of Samples and

Swabbings with Dosimetric Instruments

under Field Conditions

Type of Sample (Swabbing)	Means of determining the degree of contamination
Water	1. The filter-cardboard from the chemical reconnaissance kit (PKhR-46, PKhR-54) is used to measure contamination. The filter-cardboard is lowered into the test water for 30 seconds. After draining off (about 5 seconds) the excess water, the probe head of the radiometer with open window is brought to within about 0.5 to lcm of the filter-cardboard. The measurement results are multiplied by a factor of 15 and recorded as the degree of contamination of the water in emissions per minute per cm. 3. With the use of newspaper (of the same dimensions as the filter-cardboard) the correction factor is 100. 2. Immersion of the instrument probe head (with open window and protected by a thin rubber case) into the sample to a depth of not less than 10cm. The DP-11-A instrument readings, in that case, are multiplied by 10, and those of instrument DP-11-B, by 5.
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3. For direct measurements from the surface of the water, pour water into a cylindrical container at least 8 to 10cm wide and 3 to 4cm tall. The probe head should be 0.5 to 1.0cm from the surface of the water during measurement.

For measurement of contaminated samples having the dimensions and volume of a matchbox, the degree of contamination is determined by multiplying the measurement readings by a factor of 9.

For direct measurement of contamination of a swab, spread it out, contaminated side up, on a surface equal in area to that from which the swabbing was taken.

37. Function and Tactical-Technical Specifications

of Field Dosimetric Apparatus

A field radiation apparatus is used to detect radioactive contamination, to determine the radiation level on terrain, and to measure the degree of radioactive contamination of water, rations, soil and the surfaces of various objects (uniforms, weapons, combat equipment, vehicles, etc), and also for personnel radiation control, as well as for checking the effectiveness of sanitary processing and decontamination.

Field dosimetric apparatus is classified as follows:

- -- indicators;
- -- roentgenometers;
- -- radiometers;
- -- dosimeters.

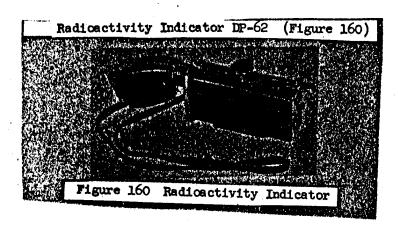
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Purpose

Detection of beta-gamma-active substances on the terrain and the rough determination of boundaries of contamination (0.5r/hr).

Basic parts

Sensing unit (counter, type STS-5), stepup transformer with voltage stabilizer and registration unit (neon tube).

Measurement range

Infrequent, evenly spaced flashes of the meon tube correspond to a dose strength of approximately 0.02r/hr, but continuous illumination, to about 0.4 to 1.0r/hr or more.

Power supply

Alternating-current hand generator producing a :3-to 4-volt current.

Dimensions

240 x 90 x 40mm

Weight

0.9kg

Roentgenometer DP-1-B (Figure 161)

Purpose

Measurement of gamma-radiation level or total beta-gamma radiation.

Basic parts

Sensing unit (ionization chamber), direct-current amplifier and registration instrument (microammeter).

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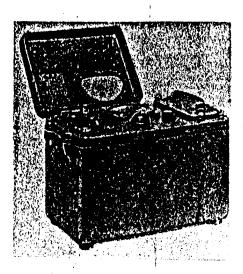


Figure 161. Roentgenometer DP-1-B

Measurement range

From 0.02 to 400r/hr. The instrument scale is subdivided into 4 subbands; I -- from 0.02 to 0.04r/hr; II -- from 0.2 to 4.0r/hr; III -- from 2.0 to 40r/hr; IV -- from 20.0 to 400r/hr.

The measurement error in normal conditions (at a temperature of 20° and at standard pressure) does not exceed 20 to 30%.

Dry cells and batteries: one each 1.6 PMTs-8, 105PMTsG-0.05 and 13AMTsG-0.5.

50 hours

batteries

Period of operation

without change of

Power supply

Weight

Dimensions

Set-up time

5.3kg

303 x 162 x 215mm

3 to 5 minutes

Note: Roentgenometer DP-1-B differs from roentgenometer DP-1-A in that the DP-1-B has an improved ionization chamber, requires less power supply and a two-fold smaller lower limit in all subbands.

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Beta-gamma radiometer DP-11B (Figure 162)

Purpose

Measurement of the degree of contamination of the surfaces of objects, water, rations, and forage by radioactive substances. Used also for the detection of radioactive contamination of terrain from aircraft

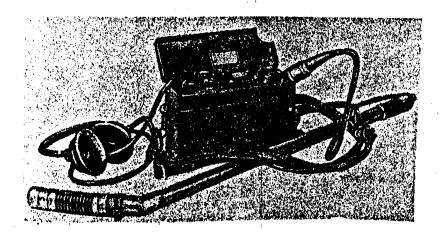


Figure 162. Beta-gamma-radiometer DP-11B

Basic parts

Probe with handle, inside which are a gas counter, type STS-5, amplifier and high-voltage generator. Control box with registration unit (microammeter) and power supply, Headphones.

Measurement range

Degree of contamination within limits from 150 to 1,000,000 emissions per minute per square centimeter; radiation levels within the limits 0.03 to 20mr/hr. Measurement range for the degree of contamination is divided into two subbands: I -- from 150 to 20,000 emissions/min cm^2 and from 0.03 to 0.4mr/hr; II -- from 1500 to 1,000,000 emissions/min/cm² and from 0.3 to 20mr/hr. The measurement error for degree of contamination is about 50%.

Power supply

Dry cells and batteries: two 1.6PMTs-8 and one

87PMTsG-0,15. GROUP 1 **Excluded from automatic** downgrading and declassification

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batteries

50 hours

Weight

About 5.4kg

Dimensions

Length of probe with handle, about 1 meter, diameter 35mm. Control box dimensions: 260 x 115 x 175mm.

Set-up time

2 to 3 minutes

Note: Beta-gamma-radiometer DP-11-A, produced commercially up to 1954, had these measurement ranges:

-- radiation level -- from 0.02 to 30mr/hr;

-- degree of contamination -- from 35 to 50,000 emissions/min/cm².

Individual lots of these instruments have had measurement ranges for degree of contamination from 50 to 600,000 emissions/min/cm².

Individual Radiation Control Kit, Type DP-21-B (Figure 163)

Purpose

Individual radiation control for personnel operating in contaminated terrain.

Basic parts

200 miniature ionization chambers and a charge-measurement unit.

Measurement range

There are two subbands: I -- from 0 to 5r; II -- from 0 to 50r.

Measurement error - not more than 20%.

Power supply (for charge-measurement unit)

Dry cells and batteries: one 1.6PMTs-8, two 13AMTsG-0.5. and three 105PMTsG-0.05

Period of operating without changing batteries

75 hours

Weight

Charge-measurement unit - about 13.0kg. Kit of 200 dosimeters packed in box - 7kg. Single chamber - 15 grams.

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Dimensions

Charge-measurement unit 300 x 250 x 295mm. Ionization chamber - length 120mm, diameter

13mm.

Set-up time

3 minutes

Note: Dosimetric control kit DP-21-B differs from DP-21-A only in the power sources.

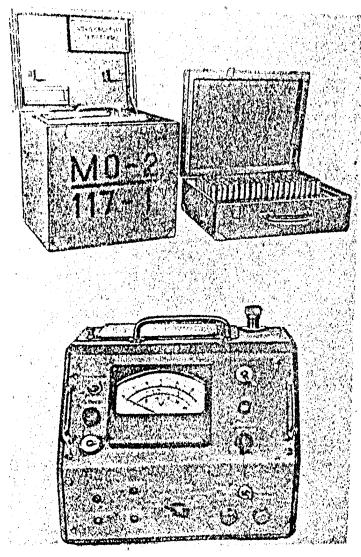


Figure 163. Individual Radiation Control Kit Type DP-21-B

